



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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May 29, 2007

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**CHANGES IN WORK FOR PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS  
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 3, 4, AND 5  
3 VOTES**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

Find that the requested changes in work have no significant effect on the environment and approve the changes for the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. RDC0010959 - Short Trail at House Nos. 437 and 463, vicinity of Topanga Canyon (3), John S. Meek Company, Inc., in amount of \$25,365.00.

Project ID No. RDC0014803 - Glendora Mountain Road 400' North of Mile Marker 10.00, vicinity of Glendora (5), Calex Engineering, Inc., in amount of \$28,275.00.

Project ID No. RMD1546039 - Parkway Tree Planting, MD 1 (As Needed), FY 2005-06, vicinities of Industry, Diamond Bar, and Covina (1, 4, and 5), Azteca Landscape, in amount of \$18,820.00.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

This action is to obtain Board approval for changes in public works contracts in support of the timely completion of the projects while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and the necessary time extensions are listed in the enclosure for each contract.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Enclosed for your authorization are changes in work in excess of my delegated limits, which are required to complete Project ID Nos. RDC0010959, RDC0014803, and RMD1546039.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

Approval of these changes in work, which are necessary to satisfactorily complete the projects, is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since the improved infrastructure will better serve the public.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The estimated change order amounts for these contracts range from \$18,820.00 to \$28,275.00.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the requested changes. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes, together with contract cost summaries, are included in the enclosures.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Each of the subject contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

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### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in work as described above and in the enclosures do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Each contract provides that the contractor be compensated for the work resulting from changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs are based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

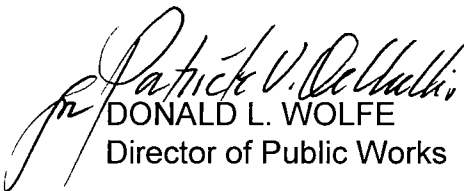
### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Approval of the requested changes by your Board will ensure the timely completion of work under each of the respective contracts and result in complete and usable facilities.

### **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

  
DONALD L. WOLFE  
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office  
County Counsel  
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE)  
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0010959, SHORT TRAIL AT HOUSE NOS. 437 AND 463  
(in the vicinity of Topanga Canyon), Supervisorial District 3,  
Contractor: John S. Meek Company, Inc.

Project Description:

Construction of two retaining walls, landscaping, and other appurtenant work.

Change in Work:

Repair Roadway \$25,365.00

Description of Change:

Portions of the roadway adjacent to the new walls are deteriorated and will be repaired. The work includes excavation, placing base material, and paving. This work is not shown on the plans. The cost for this work was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Five additional working days will be required because of this change.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$ 678,411.00
Changes in work previously approved by the Board	305,069.00
Change in work to be authorized	<u>25,365.00</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$1,008,845.00</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014803, GLENDORA MOUNTAIN ROAD 400' NORTH OF  
MILE MARKER 10.00 (in the vicinity of Glendora), Supervisorial District 5,  
Contractor: Calnex Engineering, Inc.

Project Description:

Construction of a steel soldier-pile retaining wall, tiebacks, timber lagging, concrete fascia wall, metal beam, guard rail, AC pavement, and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

(1) Install Additional Guardrail	\$ 3,775.00
(2) Drainage System Upgrade and Repair	22,000.00
(3) Slope Protection	<u>2,500.00</u>
Total	<u>\$28,275.00</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) It is necessary to install additional guardrail to protect the drainage system inlet. This work is not shown on the plans.

(2) The existing drainage system at Mile Marker 10.00 was severely undermined. It is necessary to repair the drain to protect the embankment.

(3) It is necessary to hydro seed and jute cover about 2,500 square feet of slope area to protect the slope. This work is not shown on the plans.

The costs for Items 1 and 3 will be negotiated with the contractor. The cost for Item 2 will be based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

Nine additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$934,312.00
Changes in work to be authorized	<u>28,275.00</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$962,587.00</u>

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CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE)  
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PROJECT ID NO. RMD1546039, PARKWAY TREE PLANTING, MD 1 (AS NEEDED),  
FY 2005-06 (in the vicinities of Industry, Diamond Bar, and Covina),  
Supervisory Districts 1, 4, and 5, Contractor: Azteca Landscape

Project Description:

Planting of parkway trees on an as-needed basis.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities	\$18,820.00
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Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The cost for this work will be based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$ 86,250.00
Changes in work to be authorized	<u>18,820.00</u>
Revised Contract Amount	<u>\$105,070.00</u>

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